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WTI CRS 2-04 MCAS YUMA PLANNING CONFERENCE

(a) WTI 2-04 Planning Conference Results of 6 Feb 04.

- 1 In accordance with reference (a), the results of the WTI 2-04 MCAS Yuma Planning Conference are enclosed.
- 2. POC is Maj Craig Doty at ext. 3257/2915/3681

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Agenda Item: Aircrew Access To The CALA.

<u>Discussion</u>: During previous WTIs, aircrews had access to the CALA through the

Parks Avenue Gate, which remained open throughout the course.

Recommendation: That the Parks Avenue Gate remain open throughout the WTI Course.

MAWTS-1 will brief all WTI personnel on the Aircraft Fire and Rescue

(AFR) training facility in the vicinity of the CALA.

Conference Action: Concur. MAWTS-1 will provide six of its augments (on 29 March 2004) to

the Provost Marshall's Office (PMO), Physical Security's Branch, to work the Parks Gate during WTI 2-04. PMO will provide a guard shack to Parks Gate NLT 8 March 2004. No POVs will be allowed access through the Parks Gate, only limited MAWTS-1 rental vehicles or government

vehicles with Flight line access, no exceptions.

Agenda Item: EMCON Launches, Tactical Recoveries.

Discussion: The efforts of the MCAS Yuma ATC Department to obtain authorization

and coordinate the above events have significantly enhanced past WTIs. Their efforts are greatly appreciated. It is anticipated that the same

requirements will be needed for future courses.

Recommendation: That the aforementioned waivers and authorization for special

procedures be arranged for/approved by Yuma ATC.

Conference Action: Concur. MAWTS-1 C3 Department, ATC Division, coordinate with the

Station ATC Chief on all EMCON Launches and Tactical Recoveries to

be conducted during WTI 2-04.

Agenda Item: Extended Airfield Operating Hours. 0700-2300.

Discussion: Past WTIs required extended operating hours due to known

operational requirements. MAWTS-1 will submit via SEPCOR to the Station Ops Officer (attn: ATC/CFR/VAL/CLNC/PAO) requesting

extended airfield-operating hours.

Recommendation Dates and times requested to be forwarded to MCAS Yuma via

SEPCOR NLT 13 Feb 04.

Conference Action: Concur.

Agenda Item: R2507 Restriction During WTI CRS.

<u>Discussion</u>: Prior to each WTI Course, MCAS Yuma ATC publishes a message

restricting air-to-ground ordnance in R2507N due to personnel on the

ground supporting WTI operations.

Recommendation:

That the appropriate message be released by MCAS Yuma to users of R2507 stating the following:

"DUE TO WTI GROUND PERSONNEL IN THE R2507N THE FOLLOWING RESTRICTIONS APPLY FOR NON-WTI OPERATIONS FROM 15 MARCH – 17 APRIL 04. NO ORDNANCE DROPS ARE AUTHORIZED SOUTHWEST OF THE HE DROP LINE FORMED FROM GRID COORDS PH 162040 PH 315037 PH 390025 PG 473993 PG 522970 PG 570946. THERE WILL BE NO AIR-TO-AIR GUNNERY AUTH IN R2507N. ALL FLIGHTS UTILIZING THE IMPACT AREA NORTHEAST OF THE HE DROP LINE WILL CONTACT YUMA RANGE CONTROL ON FREQ 274.0 FOR CLEARANCE. POC: MR BELLEAU DSN 269-2214/2215."

Conference Action:

Concur. MAWTS-1 Operations will ensure this NOTAM is given to MCAS Yuma, AZ in a timely manner to be passed to all participating units.

Agenda Item:

NOTAMS for WTI CRS.

Discussion:

Prior to each WTI, MCAS Yuma Air Operations published appropriate Notices to Airmen (NOTAMS) indicating higher than normal levels of flying activity in and around the R2507, R2301 and Yuma International/MCAS Yuma Airspace due to the WTI class.

Recommendation:

That appropriate NOTAMS be issued by MCAS Yuma Air Operations.

Conference Action:

Concur. MAWTS-1 Operations, Range Officer will ensure NOTAMs are published per the WTI 2-04 milestones.

Agenda Item:

Use of Ditto Auditorium During WTI CRS.

Discussion:

- 1. MAWTS-1 will request, through Station Training (Combat Visual Identification Center (CVIC)), the use of Ditto Auditorium for WTI CRS 2-04 from 3 March 17 April 04.
- 2. Ditto Auditorium is required for classes, briefings and debriefings during the WTI CRS.

Recommendation:

- 1 MAWTS-1 receives exclusive use of Ditto during requested dates.
- 2. All other units requesting Ditto Auditorium should be referred to MAWTS-1 Academic Dept for scheduling deconfliction.

Conference Action:

Concur. Worked out between GySgt Palacios, Station CVIC and SSgt Tucker, MAWTS-1 Academics.

Agenda Item: Utilization of Base Operations Transient Flight Crew Briefing Room.

Discussion: Increased Blue Air participation during the WTI class has over-extended

required briefing space within Bldg 406 (MAWTS-1). Additionally, not all Blue Air participants are on the MAWTS-1 access roster and are restricted from entering the building. This issue is further compounded by the participation of joint aircraft such as the E-2 Hawkeye, E-3

AWACS, EP-3 Orion and EC-130 Compass Call.

Recommendation: That base operations grant MAWTS-1 priority usage on the

transient flight crew briefing room. Additionally, if a room is available for the joint service crews during the support times, allow them access for

mission planning and debriefing.

<u>Conference Action</u>: Concur. It is also a VIP lounge and the VIPs will have precedents over

the lounge.

Agenda Item Airborne C2W/ISR Aircraft Parking During WTI 2-04.

<u>Discussion</u>: E-2 Hawkeye, E-3 AWACS, EP-3 Orion, P-3 AIP, and EC-130 Compass

Call will support WTI 2-04. Dates to follow.

Recommendation Plan for the arrival and subsequent parking areas for these aircraft.

Conference Action: Concur. Will be on the SEPCOR e-mail from Maj Doty, MAWTS-1

Operations, to Mr. Mills, MCAS Yuma Operations.

Agenda Item: US Army Joint Air Ground Center for Excellence (JAGCE) April 7-22.

<u>Discussion:</u> JAGCE occurs April 7-22 during WTI flight phase. JAGCE will to utilize

R2306/08, R2301E, Stoval Airfield, Gila Bend Auxiliary Airfield & Laguna

Army Airfield (KLGF) during this timeframe.

Recommendation: Lt Col George will be the MAWTS-1 point of contact for deconfliction.

Conference Action: FYI

Agenda Item: Dedicated OpFor/SST Personnel for WTI 2-04 Course.

<u>Discussion</u>: MAWTS-1 requires 30/16 dedicated personnel for OpFor during WTI. It is

requested that this requirement be sourced from Station personnel from

15 Mar 04 to 17 Apr 04.

Recommendation: Station provide 30/16 personnel for use as OpFor during WTI from 15

Mar 04 to 17 Apr 04.

Conference Action Not resolved at conference. Further coordination required between

MAWTS-1 S-3 and Station S-3.

Agenda Item:

Units Deployed to MCAS.

Discussion:

Units that deploy to MCAS Yuma close to the scheduled WTI CRS 2-04 dates present particular logistical problems for MAWTS-1 WTI Course work-ups, i.e. accepting billeting spaces, workspaces and motor vehicles.

Recommendation:

1. For WTI CRS 2-04, the following list contains Barracks and corresponding acceptance dates and times for MAWTS-1.

BUILDING NUMBER/NAME	DATES MAWTS-1 ACCEPTS
Barracks 660 A	5 Mar 04
Barracks 660 B	5 Mar 04
Barracks 913	8 Mar 04
Barracks 918	2 Mar 04
Barracks 930	1 Mar 04
Bldg 212	4 Mar 04
Hangar 220 Tool Room & Flight Equipment East End 2 nd Deck West End 2 nd Deck Hangar Floor & all other Offices	4 Mar 04 4 Mar 04
FW Parking & Bldg 1581	4 Mar 04
Bldgs 137, 138, 147, 148, 201, 206, 1579	4 Mar 04

2. Transient E5 and Below Barracks and Non-Appropriated, NAFI Transient SNCO / Officer Billeting Fund Barracks will fully support WTI the week of 01 Mar 04. Exact scheduling will be coordinated with the S-4 and the Billeting Fund at a later date.

Conference Action:

Concur.

Agenda Item:

MACCS Agency.

Discussion:

The TACC, (MTACS) will deploy to the previous location adjacent to the SCIF Bldg 510. They will also need additional space for antennas between Bldg 404 and Bldg 408 (beyond the MAWTS-1 Bldg 406 parking lot). This same space will be used by MWCS to setup their Lightweight Mobile Satellite Terminal (LMST) if approved. LMST will operate on low power in the Ku frequency band.

Recommendation:

1. That the areas listed above be reserved and cleared for use by the

subject agencies.

2. That the Aldrich Road from Halstead and Alward be closed from 15 Mar – 19 Apr 04.

Note: At no time will heavy equipment be allowed to park or drive on the adjacent playing field. At no time will antennas emanate more than 400 watts on the High Frequency spectrum.

Conference Action: Concur.

Agenda Item Communications Pedestal Support.

<u>Discussion</u>: The MWCS will establish communications equipment at dual sites aboard

the Air Station. The main site is adjacent to the MAWTS-1 SCIF, Bldg

510. The second site encompasses the MUX site above the

Consolidated Club and the lot adjacent to Bldg 1060. Coordination with Station CDEO has been made that communications pedestals will be installed prior to WTI 2-04 providing multiple fiber connections and

telephone circuits.

Recommendation: Install the pedestals as described prior to WTI 2-04 and provide detailed

information to MAWTS-1 regarding the services that will be available.

<u>Conference Action</u>: Capt Norton, MAWTS-1 C3 Communications Division, is and will

coordinate with Capt Buckley, MCAS Yuma Communications.

Agenda Item: Culvert Installation along Halstead Ave.

<u>Discussion</u>: MWCS requires multiple cables run between their site near Bldg 510 and

the MUX site above the consolidated Club. Traditionally, this has been accomplished by overheading the cable over Quilter and Hart Streets using Station telephone poles and a commercial bucket truck. Station CDEO indicates that the telephone poles will be eliminated in the future and that underground culverts will be established. This will allow for tactical cable to be employed without running the cable overhead as done

previously.

Recommendation: Install the culverts as described prior to WTI 2-04. If these will not be

available, request to continue running the cable overhead as has been

done previously.

Conference Action: Capt Norton, MAWTS-1 C3 Communications Division, is and will

coordinate with Capt Buckley, MCAS Yuma Communications.

Agenda Item: WTI CRS Non-Paid Billeting on Base.

<u>Discussion</u>: During previous WTIs, the issue of control of the WTI billeting spaces

was satisfactorily resolved. This agenda item is to reaffirm the below

listed decisions/agreements.

- 1. That all WTI CRS barracks support personnel be assigned to the MAWTS-1 Logistics Officer during WTI CRS.
- 2. That MAWTS-1 assign E-5 and below billeting spaces, conduct barracks inspections, handle disciplinary requirements and provide needed barracks cleaning/admin supplies.
- 3. That MCAS Yuma S-4 provide racks and wall lockers during the billeting build-up period; MAWTS-1 will manage the daily operations of all billeting spaces and control the issue, receipt and survey of all linen
- 4. That transient units not be scheduled in billeting spaces between 01 Mar 04 and 24 Apr 04 without close liaison with MAWTS-1 S-4.

Recommendation:

The above plan be adhered to as close as possible.

Conference Action:

Concur.

Agenda Item

Work Spaces Within Hangar 220, Buildings 137, 138, 147, 148, 201

206, 212 and the CALA Building 1579.

Discussion:

A detailed joint inspection is required.

Recommendation:

- 1. That an inspection team, composed of Fleet Liaison and MAWTS-1 Maintenance personnel, inspect all admin/maintenance and supply spaces used during the WTI CRS to identify repair requirements.
- 2. That Fleet Liaison initiate work requests to Public Works on identified discrepancies and continue follow-up on work requests still pending.

Conference Action:

Concur.

Agenda Item:

Tractor Trailer (TT) Support.

Discussion:

Repair parts and critical low-density items (i.e. Rotor Blades) are essential to the course. Movement of these items will require augment support from station motor pool.

Recommendation:

That the station motor pool has one TT on call to transport rotor blades and miscellaneous outsize cargo to MCAS Camp Pendleton/ Miramar.

Conference Action:

Concur.

Agenda Item:

Gray water Disposal During WTI CRS

Discussion:

California environmental laws prohibit the disposal of shower water on the ground. Shower water must be collected and transported back aboard MCAS for disposal.

Recommendation:

- 1. That station motor transport provide support for this requirement to purge gray water from shower units at Niland, California.
- 2. That MAWTS-1 S-4 provide a schedule for pickup of gray water at the service point.
- 3. That MAWTS-1 reimburse station for fuel costs at published mileage rates.

Conference Action:

Concur.

Agenda Item:

Station Mess Hall hours of operation.

Discussion:

During WTI, hours of work for assigned personnel remain from 0600 to 1800, or 1800 to 0600, seven days a week for a period of four weeks on 02 Mar 04 to 21 Apr 04. Personnel assigned duties aboard the Air Station do not normally have an opportunity to subsist at the mess hall during holidays and weekends when hours of operation are 0900-1200 for brunch, and 1500-1700 for dinner. Normally, under these hours, personnel cannot normally subsist at least one meal per day.

Recommendation:

Establish normal operating hours, or modified operating hours, on holidays and weekends during the period of 2 Mar 04 to 21 Apr 04, to allow WTI personnel to subsist at least two meals daily.

Conference Action:

GySgt Waite, Station Food Services, concurred with the agenda item, but requested any change be submitted, as during Desert Talon, via formal letter.

Agenda Item:

Supply Deliveries for FedEx and UPS shipments.

Discussion:

Normal supply deliveries are made to building 530 for all MAWTS-1 deliveries. During WTI, the number of deliveries increases substantially and includes daily deliveries by FedEX and UPS. Due to security reasons, FedEX and UPS delivery personnel are not able to pass through the flight line security fence to deliver supplies. All FedEX and UPS deliveries are overnight shipments for mission essential aviation parts. In many cases, deliveries include large or multi-pack items that cannot be passed through security turnstiles.

Recommendation:

That all FedEx and UPS shipments for MAWTS-1 be delivered to Station Supply, Building 212.

That supply deliveries be made based on the following document number series:

-"R" series document numbers be delivered to Bldg 202.

-"M" series document numbers be delivered to Bldg 530.

That Station Supply be opened for business on Saturdays to accept and deliver overnight packages from FedEx, DHL, and UPS.

That MAWTS-1 assist Station with supply deliveries by making daily visits to the Station receiving bay to pick-up supplies.

Conference Action: Concur.

Agenda Item: Provide assistance with enforcement of ground vehicle traffic laws and

unit policy.

Discussion: MAWTS-1 provides two Road Masters during WTI to enforce ground

vehicle traffic laws off station, primarily on local and federal roads. However these two teams are not adequate to patrol the more than 500 miles of road 24-hours each day. Assistance from local law enforcement agencies is required to increase road patrols, enforce civilian and unit

traffic rules, and issue violation warnings or citations.

Recommendation: PMO assist MAWTS-1 in coordinating local law enforcement agencies to

share traffic rules and policies, and establish a formal agreement to

provide assistance in enforcing traffic laws.

Conference Action: Concur.

Agenda Item: Tractor Trailer Access to station and flight line.

Discussion: During each WTI course, in excess of 130 TTs are involved in both the

deployment and retrograde phases of the exercise. Many of these TTs require entry aboard station and a large percentage of these require

further entry onto the flight line.

Recommendation: Allow tractor-trailers to enter station via the North gate during normal

business hours, Monday-Saturday. Designate the flight line gate to be

used by all TT's requiring entry onto the flight line.

Conference Action: Concur. Heavier TT's will go through the Hamilton Gate, others will go

through the Parks Gate.

Agenda Item: Use of Station Armory by WTI Units

Discussion: MAWTS-1 does not require that external units bring personal or crew-

serve weapons to Yuma in support of WTI. Many units choose however not to separate their personnel from their weapons in the event that they are ordered to deploy elsewhere in support of a real-world contingency. Many units also choose to bring weapons in order to enhance their own unit training while here. Field units will establish a field armory, however for the units working aboard station will ask for armory space to store these weapons. MAWTS-1 has no armory.

Station permits units to temporarily store weapons in the station armory Recommendation

during WTI.

Conference Action: Concur.

Agenda Item: Flight Line Access Procedures

Every WTI, MAWTS-1 receives more than 800 maintenance and Discussion

ordnance augments that work on the flight line. These personnel all

require flight line access.

All agree on policy and procedures for granting flight line access to all Recommendation:

WTI augments requiring access to the MCAS Yuma flight line.

Conference Action: Concur.

Access through flight line turnstiles during crew changes Agenda Item:

The new security system does not allow PMO to freewheel the turnstiles **Discussion**:

Will there be PMO personnel available to unlock the turnstiles to allow

them to freewheel?

Ensure PMO has personnel available during crew changes to unlock the Recommendation.

turnstiles or request additional security personnel line numbers to cover

the turnstiles during crew changes.

PMO concurs. Gate #4 will be used with an augment from the six at Parks Conference Action

Gate.

Flight Line Vehicle Passes and Licensing Procedures Agenda Item

MAWTS-1 will rent approximately 80 vehicles for the upcoming WTI Discussion:

> class. All of these vehicles will require flight line parking passes as the MAWTS-1 Motor Transport Section is based out of Bldg 202, on the flight line. Additionally, approximately 30 of these vehicles will be used by maintenance and supply personnel and require operation on the flight

line.

Station Ops grant flight line passes for the vehicles requiring full-time Recommendation

operation on the flight line and flight line parking passes for the remainder of the vehicles. Additionally, approximately 2-3 classes be held to

license personnel for vehicle operation aboard the MCAS Yuma flight line.

Conference Action: Concur. Agenda Item: Availability of Linen and Pillows.

Discussion: Due to the fact that visiting units are allowed to continue training within

days of WTI it has caused problems with availability of linen and pillows when WTI personnel arrive. Personnel for the last class were forced to

purchase linen with their own money due to no available linen.

Recommendation Ensure that linen is available for all personnel arriving to participate in

WTI classes.

Conference Action: MAWTS-1 S4 will work with Station I&L to ensure proper amount of Linen

and Pillows are available for the number of incoming personnel.

Agenda Item KC-130 Parking During WTI 2-04 Discussion: Four KC-130s will support the course. During the course up to three more KC-130s arrive as augments. These augment aircraft will be MAWTS-1 aircraft while they are here, and need to be located as close to the other MAWTS-1 KC-130 aircraft as possible. 1. In support of WTI 2-04, park the four KC-130s on flight line numbers Recommendation 20-23. 2. During the course MAWTS-1 would like to place the augment aircraft as close as possible to spots 20-23. Conference Action Concur. Agenda Item: Sole use of CALA, Oscar and Alpha Taxiway The CALA is used to park all participating fixed wing aircraft. Alpha Discussion taxiway is used to park all participating AH-1 aircraft. Oscar taxiway is used to stage ordnance and aircraft support equipment. Aircraft taxi procedures preclude the active use of Oscar. Staged support equipment allows for towing of the aircraft through Oscar as required. Recommendation That WTI aircraft have sole use of the CALA, Alpha and Oscar taxiways Concur. Conference Action: WTI aircraft parking on VAL Line during WTI. Agenda Item During previous WTIs, MAWTS-1 had access to VAL parking spaces Discussion: for VIP aircraft participating in WTI Flight Evolutions. Recommendation That MAWTS-1 Operations coordinate all transient aircraft parking support with MCAS Yuma operations/visiting aircraft line. Conference Action Concur. TAFDS support for WTI 2-04 aircraft Agenda Item:

Past WTIs required extended operating hours due to known Discussion:

operational requirements.

Recommendation Dates and times requested will be submitted via letter.

Conference Action: Concur. Agenda Item TAFDS support for WTI 2-04 aircraft.

<u>Discussion</u>. The Station TAFDS must be manned by certified MWSS refueling

personnel during WTI 2-04. This requirement is established by a waiver that allows WTI assigned aircraft to proceed through the TAFDS with Ordnance loaded, and prevents civilians from operating the TAFDS.

Recommendation: TAFDS must be manned during flight operations by certified MWSS

personnel.

Conference Action: Concur.

Agenda Item Fixed Wing Hot Refueling Requirement for WTI 2-04 aircraft

Discussion: Due to the large aviation fuel requirement, and lack of a fixed wing hot

refueling capability during WTI, it is requested that additional fuel trucks

be located at the CALA to provide this support during WTI 2-04.

Recommendation: Additional fuel trucks be provided at the CALA in order to provide a fixed

wing hot refueling capability during WTI.

Conference Action: Not resolved at conference. Further coordination required between Mr.

Mills, Airfield Operations and MAWTS-1 S-3, Maintenance. Resolution

expected NLT COB 18 Feb 04.

Agenda Item Enactment of W1-89 waiver.

Discussion W1-89 waiver allows MAWTS-1 to load specified ordnance in the Alpha

Taxiway and Lines 1 and 2 of flight line area one. Additionally, the waiver allows MAG-13 to load up to 10,000 lbs of NEW on their flight line areas

because the CALA is clogged with MAWTS assigned aircraft.

Recommendation: Enact W1-89 waiver from 5 Mar - 30 Apr 04.

Conference Action: Mr. Scott Pearce Station Ordnance concurs